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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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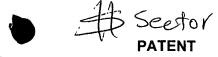
Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$264.
 - \$108 for 6 total claims over 20.
 - \$156 for 2 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

| The balance due by applicant is \$ 1084. | 0 09642068 | 355.00 GP 65.00 GP 86.00 GP 80.00 GP | |
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In re application of:

STUELPNAGEL, et al.

Serial No. 09/642,068

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Box Missing Parts Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed October 25, 2000.

Applicant claims small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are the following documents:

- (1) Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
- (2) Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- (3) Assignment (copy);
- (4) Power of Attorney by Assignee;

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- (5) Check for \$542.00 to cover the filing fee (\$345.00), 6 claims over 20 (\$54.00), 2 independent claims over 3 (\$78.00), and the missing parts surcharge (\$65.00) for a small entity;
- (6) Petition for Extension of Time (four months);
- (7) Check in the amount of \$695.00 to cover a four-month extension for a small entity; and
- (8) Return receipt postcard.

The original Assignment has been forwarded to the Assignment Branch for recordation.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, including extension fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Our Order No. A-68364-1/RMS/DCF).

It is believed that submission of the above serves to satisfy all of the requirements of the outstanding Notice of Missing Parts.

Respectfully submitted,

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